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"I have not yet begun to fight!"



### E-2 RECEIVES AVIATION WARFARE DESIGNATION

Story and photo by JO3 Laura C. Wiggins

Air Traffic Controller Airmen Apprentice (ACAA) Joseph Tanglao, from San Diego, Calif., is the first E-2 on board the San Diego-based multipurpose amphibious assault ship USS BONHOMME RICHARD (LHD 6) to receive the Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist (EAWS) designation. His accomplishment comes from hard work and dedication.

Tanglao joined the Navy February 25, 1999 and is now 21 years old. When asked why he decided to join, he replied, "To serve my country and see the world."

Tanglao's duties as an ACAA include being responsible for the safe launch and recovery of helicopters during flight operations. When he wasn't busy keeping the helicopters safe, he was busy working on his warfare designation.

"It took a lot of preparation and study time. I received training from all of the departments and I was constantly asking the Petty Officers and Chief Petty Officers questions." Tanglao earned the EAWS designation in only four months.

When asked how he felt about his new designation, he said, "It's a good feeling to become qualified, but the best feeling was knowing that my coworkers and peers were always behind me with their supportive words and patience."

Tanglao's hard work and dedication has not subsided just because he's achieved this goal. His new goals for the future include becoming fully qualified as an Air Traffic Controller as well as earning his Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist designation.



ACAA(AW) Joseph Tanglao awaits the commencement of the warfare pinning ceremony, after which point he will be allowed to wear the aviation warfare pin he has earned.

#### NATIONAL NEWS

### NEW JERSEY VOTE REFLECTS CENSUS SHIFT

By Steven A. Holmes

With Congress and the Clinton administration in a stalemate over whether or not to rely solely on traditional counting methods in the 2000 census, Republicans have quietly moved the battle over the decennial head count from Washington to state capitals.

At the prompting of state party leaders, the Republican-controlled New Jersey Assembly approved a bill mandating that the state use only census data derived from mailed-in census forms, door-to-door canvassers or other traditional means when it redraws congressional and state legislative lines. The measure passed 42-34, with Republicans and Democrats voting along party lines.

The Census Bureau and Democrats argue that such traditional counting methods should be supplemented by data obtained from a randomly selected national sample of 314,000 households. The information gleaned

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from these households would be used to adjust population totals and, Census Bureau officials say, make the census more accurate.

The New Jersey bill, which both Republicans and Democrats expect also to pass in the state Senate would, if signed by Gov. Christie Whitman, make New Jersey the sixth state to ban the use of census data that is adjusted using sampling in the redrawing of congressional and legislative district lines.

#### STOCK MARKET

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 20.54 points, or 0.2 percent, to 10,815.30. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 9.63 points, or 0.7 percent, to 1,467.63. The Nasdaq composite index closed at 3,821.76, up 8.38 points, or 0.2 percent.

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#### NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL NEWS

## MR. CLINTON LOBBIES TWO NATIONS By Charles Babington

In the first speech by an American leader to Russia's parliament, President Clinton today urged the lawmakers to embrace a more open society that protects private property, free speech, religious expression and equal justice.

In a 45-minute address, the president said: "A strong state should use its strength to reinforce the rule of law, protect the powerless against the powerful, [and] defend democratic freedoms." Alluding to Russia's struggles with lawlessness and a legacy of autocracy, he said: "The answer to law without order is not order without law."

Mr. Clinton then flew to Ukraine for a six-hour visit before returning to Washington from a four-nation European tour. The president pledged \$78 million in new U.S. aid for Ukraine's troubled nuclear power system and urged Ukrainians to make "a full commitment to free-market democracy."

Speaking to tens of thousands of people in Kiev's sun-drenched St. Michael's Square, Mr. Clinton acknowledged Ukraine's painful history and cited the deaths of millions in the 1930s during famines spawned by the farm policies of Soviet leader Joseph Stalin.

"Today, the oppressors are gone," the president said. "Stalin is gone. The Nazis are gone. The Soviet Union is gone. . . . but you, the people of Ukraine, you are still here, stronger than ever."

#### IRAN ALLOWS IRAQI OIL IN ITS SEAS By Robin Wright, Times Staff Writer

In an unexpected reversal, Iran has opened its protected sea lanes to dozens of ships carrying illegal shipments of Iraqi oil in violation of U.N. sanctions on Saddam Hussein's government, U.S. officials said.

The Clinton administration considers the about-face alarming because oil smuggling is Hussein's only major source of independent income. U.S. officials have estimated that unfettered access to Iranian waters could generate as much as \$1 billion for his regime this year.

For about two months, Iran had refused to allow ships carrying contraband Iraqi oil to sail along its coastline beyond the reach of U.N. and U.S. ships deployed to enforce the embargo. But Thursday, a wave of oil-laden ships moved into Iranian waters in what one senior U.S. official likened to "a jailbreak."

"There was a huge backlog of ships full of smuggled oil that couldn't move into the [Persian] Gulf because Iran had kept them bottled up," said the official, who declined to be identified. "Then, suddenly, on Thursday they all set sail."

U.S. officials said they are mystified by Iran's apparent policy shift, noting that Tehran had been widely lauded for the spirit of cooperation it displayed over the previous two months.

Besides the obvious boost to Iraq's finances, the administration is concerned about the diplomatic implications of Iran's turnabout.

#### NATIONAL NEWS

#### OPERATION: SUPERIOR MILITARY CHILD CARE

By Lynn Smith, Los Angeles Times Staff Writer

Civilians could learn a thing or two from the military model, which now has skilled providers at affordable prices to parents.

If 4-year-old Denton Logan were unhappy in day care, someone would surely hear about it.

"This boy's my life," said his father, Petty Officer 1st Class Ron Logan, a muscled military weapons instructor at Port Hueneme's Naval Air Station in Ventura County. "He's No. 1." Logan's wife, Tina, works off base, so Logan usually takes Denton to and picks him up from the station's Child Development Center.

Whenever Logan leaves home for two-week training sessions, he knows Denton will spend more time at the facility-sometimes up to 12 hours. But he also knows the boy is safe inside the fenced-in base, that he is learning social and academic skills from caregivers, who are trained, well-compensated and content.

Most of all, he said his son is "always happy" at the center, no matter how long he stays there. And that makes Logan happy. "Since he's been in this program, I'm not worried about him at all."

At a time when a vast majority of working parents in California are unable to find licensed care, some like the Logans feel lucky to work for an employer who regards good child care as a necessity—and provides it.

Though criticized 10 years ago, military child care is now "head and shoulders above any state in the country," said Nancy Duff Campbell, co-president of the National Women's

Law Center, a research and advocacy organization in Washington, D.C. The group issued a report in May calling for the civilian sector to emulate the military's dramatic turnaround.

Over the past three decades, the military-similar to the world around it-saw a surge of demand for child care because of a shifting work force with more women and more dual-earner and single-parent families. But unlike the patchwork system that characterizes civilian child care, the Department of Defense built a comprehensive system of child-care centers, family child-care homes, after-school programs and resource and referral services for military families, and, as space allows, civilian employees. It is the nation's largest employer-sponsored child-care program, reaching 200,000 children worldwide.

"Child care also is a key part of luring and keeping people in the military," said Capt. Jim McConnell Jr., commanding officer of the Naval Construction Battalion Center at Port Hueneme, which has constructed three centers in five years. His own son, Max, 3, attends center-based care regularly. "He couldn't be happier. We couldn't be happier with it," he said.

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#### SPORTS

## RUSH PUTS DEVILS IN CHARGE By Joe Lapointe

Rookies are supposed to bide their time in the Stanley Cup playoffs, settling for little ice time and minor roles. The pressure of the championship round, especially, is supposed to be for battle-tested veterans with years of experience.

The Devils have plenty of veterans, and they played well again. But two significant goals were scored by rookies, John Madden and Brian Rafalski. Both contributed to a 3-1 victory over the Dallas Stars that left the Devils one victory from their second Stanley Cup in five years. In the best-of-seven championship series, they lead the defending champions by 3-1.

Monday night's game, and perhaps the series, turned on a span of 3 minutes 41 seconds in the third period, when Sergei Brylin, Madden and Rafalski scored on three consecutive shots on goalie Ed Belfour. A 1-0 Dallas lead was wiped out in the stunning comeback.

#### MARK MCGWIRE INJURED DURING LOSS TO KANSAS CITY ROYALS By Associated Press

Mark McGwire left the game with a strained hamstring, and Jermaine Dye tied a Kansas City record by homering in his fourth straight game as the Royals beat the slumping St. Louis Cardinals 7-4.

#### Other scores:

Montreal 6

Boston 3

Baltimore 4

Chi. White Sox 4

Texas 2

N.Y. Yankees 4

Florida 2

N.Y. Mets 2

Cincinnati 3

Los Angeles 0



## Revolutionary Gator Of The Day



MMFA Yean Yoeung
Department: ENG
Division: A
Hometown: Kent, WA
Qualification:

Stern Gate Machinery Operator

FA Yoeung has completed all of his initial shipboard qualifications far ahead of schedule. These qualifications include: Basic Damage Control, 3-M, and QA craftsman. He has become a major asset to the Auxiliaries division. FA Yoeung has qualified as a Sterngate Machinery Room Operator, Auxiliaries Rover, and a Ballast/Deballast Hydraulic Power Unit Operator. These are qualifications usually reserved for a Third Class Petty Officer. He is responsible for maintenance performed on 2 aircraft elevators, 6 cargo weapons elevators, 2 ballast/deballast HPUs, 43 cargo weapons elevator doors, and the stern gate. He has also volunteered many off-duty hours to assist in making emergent repairs to the starboard flight deck stanchions and the port ACE emergency pump. He has a strong work ethic and a great attitude. FA Yoeung is an outstanding Sailor, who has set a noteworthy example.

#### MISHAP NUMBER ONE

A PO3 misjudged the distance between steps getting off a liberty bus and twisted her ankle. She was in the hospital one day and was out of work for 16 more. According to the report, the "shore patrol, OOD, ship's medical officer, and divisional personnel claim the PO3 was intoxicated at the time of the mishap. No blood alcohol test or other sobriety testing conducted."

#### MISHAP NUMBER TWO

Another PO3 was out of work for 11 days after she fell through the overhead trying to get into a locked office. The PO3, with the tacit approval of at least two PO1's, took the matter into her own hands. However, she lost her grip on an air conditioning duct, fell 10 to 12 feet, and landed on her back and head. She is suffering from partial facial nerve weakness. The mishap occurred at 0520. About an hour later, her BAC was 0.054% (high enough for anyone to get a "driving while impaired" ticket and their driving privileges suspended or revoked on a military installation). Her shipmates said, "she did not exhibit any signs of alcohol impairment, nor did she smell of alcohol."

All members of the Naval service must detect and address alcohol misuse at the earliest possible stage. The preferred methods of addressing potential or suspected abuse is by "command-referral" or "self-referral." Both help Sailors get help before a problem becomes more difficult to resolve without disciplinary action.

Sailors desiring counseling or treatment for alcohol problems initiate the process by disclosing the nature and extent of their problem to a qualified self-referral representative to acquire treatment. Self-referral representatives include: Drug and Alcohol Program Advisor (DAPA); CO, OIC, or executive officer; Navy Drug and Alcohol Counselor; Chaplain; Family Service Center counselor; and DOD medical personnel (including licensed independent practitioners).

A command referral is initiated by the chain of command and may be based on any credible factor such as personal observation, noticeable change in job performance, etc. Some events CO's should consider for referral include: medical record of alcohol-related involvement; history of Monday or Friday absences; history of financial problems; domestic disturbances or family concerns; peer/co-worker concerns; accident history; history of heavy drinking; alcohol-related injury (to self, not due to own misconduct); and alcohol-related victim of a crime such as rape, assault, robbery, etc.

In our afloat safety digest for March 2000, we noted that BUPERS (PERS 601B) prepared a video on suicide prevention. They had planned on sending a copy to all afloat commands in April.

In an update from BUPERS and CNET, the Department of Navy All-Hands suicide prevention training kit includes a video, a facilitator's manual, and transparencies. The government printing office will distribute the kit before summer 2000. The topic is included in Commander Naval Education and Training (CNET) annual General Military Training (GMT) in FY-01.